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I MET SEPARATELY APRIL 18 WITH PAULS (FRG), KILLICK (UK), AND BACON (CHARGE' - CANADA) TO SECURE SUPPORT AT THE APRIL 22 DPC MEETING FOR THE US POSITION (REF B) REGARDING A RESTRICTED SESSION AT THE MAY DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING. PAULS AND BACON SAID THAT THEY WOULD RECOMMEND TO THEIR CAPITALS SUPPORT FOR HOLDING THE RESTRICTED SESSION FIRST. BACON NOTED THAT CANADA OPPOSED HOLDING A RESTRICTED SESSION AT THE NATO SUMMIT, AND THAT CANADIAN SUPPORT FOR A RESTRICTED SESSION AT THE DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING SHOULD NOT BE MISCONSTRUED AS INDICATING FLEXIBILITY ON THIS ISSUE FOR THE SUMMIT MEETING. KILLICK STATED THAT THE OPPOSITION VOICED BY THE UK REP AT THE APRIL 15 DRC MEETING (REF A) DID NOT STEM FROM RESERVATIONS ABOUT HAVING THE RESTRICTED SESSION EARLY IN THE MEETING, BUT AROSE PRINCIPALLY FROM THE WISH NOT TO HAVE THE RESTRICTED SESSION PRECEDE THE AGENDA ITEM ON MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE. KILLICK INDICATED THAT THIS WAS THE POSITION HE WOULD RCOMMEND TO CONFIDENTIAL

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LONDON. WE WILL ALSO RAISE THIS MATTER WITH MY ILALIAN AND TURKISH COLLEAGUES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. STRAUSZ-HUPE

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